Borrowing of Central Police Organisation's Officers By CBI

*390 SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

whether it is a fact that Central Bureau of Investigation is unable to investigate various cases including housing scam due to shortage of manpower;

if so, the details thereof;

whether it is also a fact that the CBI is planning to borrow officers from the Central police Organization to meet its demand; and

if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) Despite some vacancies in CBI, effective investigation of various cases including housing scam has been ensuring through effective use and deployment of existing personnel.

(c)and(d) The Recruitment Rules of certain posts in CBI have provisions for taking officers on deputation basis from various organisations including Central Police Organisations and officers from these organizations are inducted in CBI from time to time.

Nyaya Panchayat Bill

*391. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

whether the Nyaya Panchayat Bill which Government propose to introduce in Parliament is ready;

if so, the essential features of the Bill; and

the response, if any, of the State Governments to the proposed Bill?

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANISHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (c) No, Sir, the Bill is not yet ready but the process for constitution of a Committee to draft the Bill has been initiated. The objective of the proposed Nyaya Panchayat Bill is to provide a sound alternative forum

at the grassroot level for dispute resolution through mediation, conciliation and compromise, which can be institutionalized with community involvement. Consultation with State Governments would be undertaken by the Ministry after the Drafting Committee completes its work. The Drafting Committee itself wouid be consulting with interested parties in the couse of its work.

Opening of Indo-Pak Border in Ferozepur

*392. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

whether there is any proposal to open Indo-Pak border at Hussainiwala in Ferozepur district of Punjab;

if so, whether any negotiations are going on with Pakistan; and

the status of the talks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) There is no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

New Spectrum Policy

*393. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONSAND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

the reasons for annoucning new spectrum allocation policy for GSM and CDMA telecom operators without waiting for the recommendations of Group of Ministers (GoM);

whether PMO and GoM have endorsed the policy announced by DoT;

if not, whether DoT would retract or keep on hold the announcement until the GoM formulates a comprehensive spectrum policy; and

if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRYOF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEELAHMAD): (a) and (b) The new spectrum policy has not yet been announced. Neverthess, the Orders issued on 29th March, 2006, prescribe only the eligibility criteria